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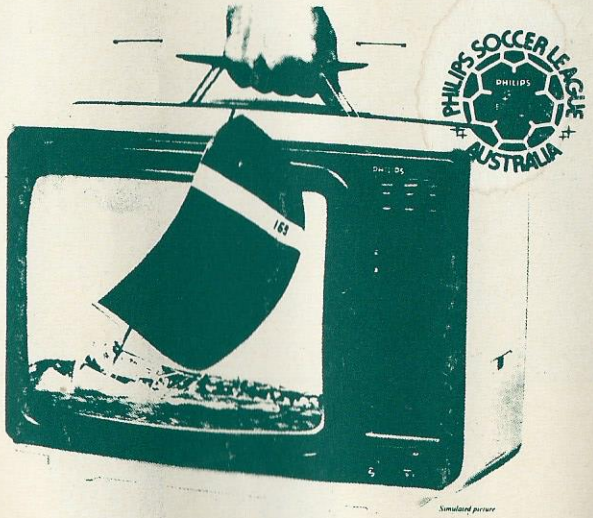

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ADELAIDE CITY

Adelaide City was formerly known as Juventus prior to the formation of the P.S.L. Since 1953 to 1974, this club won the premiership 12 times. Not bad. On the Club emblem there are three figures. The central figure is that of a bull the symbol of Turin, the City of the original Juventus. But to show the true spirit of Australian intergration, the Club Directors incorporated the kangaroo as well as the emu on either side. The origin of Adelaide City dates back as far as 1940 when the Savoy Club was formed. But with World War II, this Club was disbanded. In 1946 their new Club was formed and named Juventus as are many many other Italian Clubs scattered throughout the world. Six times Juventus has won the glorious "double" (premiership and championship).

In 1977, the 1st year of the P.S.L. Competition, Adelaide City's record against Sydney Olympic was:

Round 1:
Adelaide City won 3-0 in Adelaide.
Round 2:
Sydney Olympic won 3-1 in Sydney.

Last year the scorelines were:

Round 1:
0-1 Sydney Olympic in Adelaide.
Round 2:
2-1 Sydney Olympic in Sydney.

This year in Adelaide, Adelaide City just scraped through with a 1 nil win. It was in this game that our midfielder Alec Jamieson broke his leg. So out of the total 5 games we have played the Italian Club, Sydney Olympic has won 3 and lost 2. Today we get the opportunity to see some fine players that are with the Adelaide City team. For example, their sweeper, Johnny Perin, was a World Cup player for Australia on many occassions but in those days played in the midfield. He is a fine reader of the game and has excellent distribution. He would still today rank as one of Australia's top 10 players. This year, their new manager, Rale Rasic, didn't hesitate to capture from Croatia their tough Scottish full-back, Bobby Russell. He is a very strong defender, gives 100% in every game and must always be regarded as a most "serious" customer. Bobby would also have to be one of Australia's strongest headers of the ball. Again from Scotland, Adcity has a great player in Dixie Deans. How does one hold a player like him. When he is firing on all cylinders, there is no stopping him. He has the ability to tear any "back-four" to pieces. Deans as well is most dangerous in the air. Earlier this year against Sydney City, the Sydney team had the game wrapped up at half-time, but Deans resented the apparent final score and in the second half came out and exploded a hat-trick against one of Australia's best "back-four" line you could name. Tragedy has hit the Club with serious injuries to another star player, Gary Marocchi. He has had operations on his knee as well as on his ankle. Last year he was the new Australian Captain for Rudi Gutendorf.

To our visitors today, Sydney Olympic Soccer Club would like to say, Welcome to Pratten Park.

Match reports...

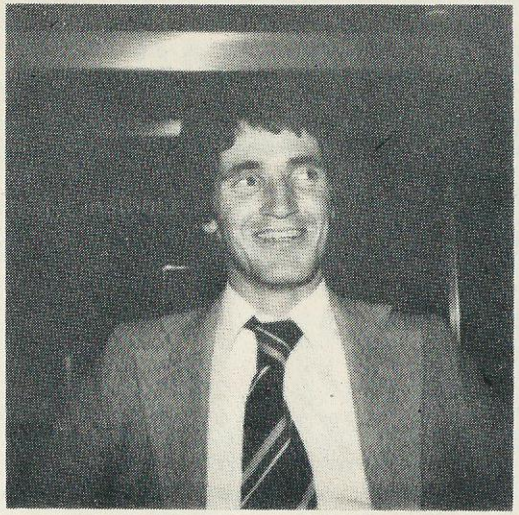
NEWCASTLE K.B. 1-1

This match started of sensationally with K. B. scoring in the first 25 seconds.

From the Kick-off, Senkalski pushed the ball 10 metres out wide to find Heys who "one touched" to the "back-post" for Jones to score ...0 - 1. Terrible play by Sydney Olympic. For the rest of the 1st half Newcastle dominated play and possession. Sydney Olympic MUST learn they cannot win games or avoid defeats if they continually squander possession. The main two reasons for such loss of possession with monotonous regularity are a) the player with the ball panics and releases wild "lottery-balls"; b) there are players who call for the ball when they are very badly positioned to "take" a ball (positional play). These errors are basic fundamentals. If a 1st Division player is NOT equipped to handle these two situations, he is then NOT a 1st Division player but an imposter. On

hundreds of occassions, the player making the pass, is left looking ridiculous because his team mate's off-the-ball play is just plain BAD. One such offender has played for Australia. To go on with the game now, in the 15th minute Seddon chipped a ball over Cross's head to Heys who raced into the box to cut a 'hot-ball' across the goalmouth but luckily for us there was no one there to slot the chance. Twice Col Curran came up in raids but the movements broke down. In the 25th minute from a throw-in, the ball bounced up to hit Drinkwater on the top part of the arm but the "penalty" was not given. After half time, Olympic improved with many crosses coming from the flanks, with headers from Jennings and Laing. McIntosh was replaced by Eaton late in the 2nd half. By this time Jimmy Morris's play improved tremendously and was fighting very hard for every ball. He copped some very bad tackles not to mention 3 'roughies' from Kenny Boden In the 70th minute a cross-ball from Boden found Heys who volleyed a hard shot past the advancing Peter Wilson, but our sweeper Kenny Wilson kicked the shot out from off the line. Excellent play. Another "inswinger" from Curran was saved by Peter Wilson. Then Jennings took on Willis the full-back to the line and whipped in a cross from left flank into the box where Eaton got up to head in Sydney Olympic's goal. Olympic then chased hard for the "winner" but Newcastle held of all the attacks.

For Olympic best performers were Peter Wilson, Jimmy Morris in the second half and Bell had a sound game.



Meet Our Player...

Andy Scott was born 19th January, 1956, at Macclesfield, Cheshire, England. His father was Andy's biggest influence upon his career as he was himself a professional player in his days with Wilmslow Albion playing right half in those days. In Andy's family, he has a younger brother only, who also is a professional player with Macclesfield. He is called Robert.

From his early junior days, Andy played all his football with Macclesfield (4 years) up to the senior team where he won a professional contract. He was then bought by another Club, Stockport County.

Last April, Andy came to Australia after Mike Laing (Western Suburbs) had spotted him in Hong Kong. He plays a perfect foil for his "partner in crime" Clive Eaton, laying off balls in the air for "Bandit" to score. It's no wonder Eaton ended up joint P.S.L. top goal-scorer.

Our tall English "target" man stands at 6'1" and his playing weight is 13 stone even. When I asked Andy some questions during the week, I was pleasantly suprised by the honesty and solidity of character to be found within this gentle giant. So here are some of Andy's personal views and opinions . . .

Dislikes: Bad refereeing, administrators and the journey back to Sydney after losing in an away game. Also selfish people in general.

Likes: Good happy times with all his Sydney Olympic team-mates, scoring goals, and receiving letters from Scotland.

Faourite Players: Tony Currie, George Best.

Most Difficult Player Opponent: Steve O'Connor from Sydney City.

Best Local Player: Easily Kenny Boden.

Cars: The new 3.5S Rover and the new Ford Fairmont.

Other Interests: Long walks and playing golf, playing the piano.

Music: Elton John and John Denver.

Actress: Jane Fonda, Sophie Loren.

Actor: Dustin Hoffman.

Ambitions: "To be generally successful in life with people, and to win a major competition with Sydney Olympic Soccer Club, only because the Olympic supporters have waited so very long without any success at all. "The deserve it".

Andy is a marketing man for the Poloroid Company and holds a good position. Eventually, however, he realises he will settle back in England as he misses his Family very much.

Andy Scott, welcome to Sydney Olympic Soccer Club. It is a pleasure to have you in our P.S.L. squad.

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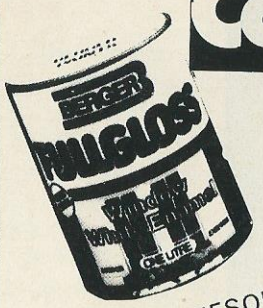

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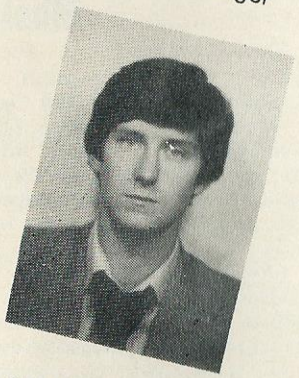

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Liverpool corner...

Congratulations to Gary and Dianne Meier who now have a newly born baby boy. Gary says that when he grows up he'll try to persuade the little bloke NOT to be a 'keeper.

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As mentioned last week, Derek Laing was married to his sweetheart Lorraine. At the wedding held at Coogee, the whole Sydney Olympic Team attended. Also invited was Joe Marston. The whole Team had chipped in to buy Joe a "Thank You" gift. Kenny Wilson made the presentation to Joe which was a gift of two engraved copper wine goblets. Joe was deeply moved by this lovely gesture. When it came to the speeches of the wedding, Mike Cross was the Best Man and had all the guests in laughter. He called upon the groom to make a short speech. As all Sydney Olympic supporters well know, Derek just keeps coming. Just 2 minutes at the microphone and he brought the house down. There was no truth in the rumour that "Bandit" was asked to ease up on his drinking by the catering manager because his liquid stocks were being depleted.

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All Greek Soccer supporters should listen in to Con Giotakis' taped interview with National Coach Rudi Gutendorf on Radio 2EA tomorrow morning (6 a.m. to 6.45 a.m.) Monday, 6th August, as they discuss Sydney Olympic and some Greek National players. It is a most interesting tape to listen to.

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Andy Scott whilst over in England recently, never forgot his team-mates for one moment. He bought for them all an Umbro Scotland National Soccer warm up jacket. What a magnificent gesture. As well, he brought back a Liverpool shirt (No. 7) of course, for an Olympic-Liverpool fan. Thank you, Andy, you're a gentleman.

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Today we all get another chance to see one of Scotland's deadliest strikers to ever come to Australia, Dixie Deans wearing shirt No. 9. At the beginning of this season, in their game against Sydney City, Adelaide City were behind 2 nil at half time. This character soon changed that in the second half and the full-time scoreline was 2-3 for Adcity. Rale Rasic after the game told me that this player does NOT need a coach as he is a "fully automatic" player both at training and in a match. What one may call "a coach's dream player".

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Our 1st Team Coach, Johnny (X) Xipolitas, will be flying over to England at the end of the season to freshen up on his coaching studies. If all goes well, he will spend some time with Liverpool and Manchester City even though we know he has more than a soft spot for Arsenal.

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Last week, our supporters saw in the "curtain-raiser" game our Federation 3rd Grade Team ("The Rockets") in action against Belmore in a "friendly". They of course won 5 nil because as they said after the game, "it was only a "friendly"

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Sydney Olympic's two Greek guest players last year, Con (Mafia) Davourlis and Bill Stravopothis, are now both over in Canada playing for local Clubs in their League during the Greek off Season.

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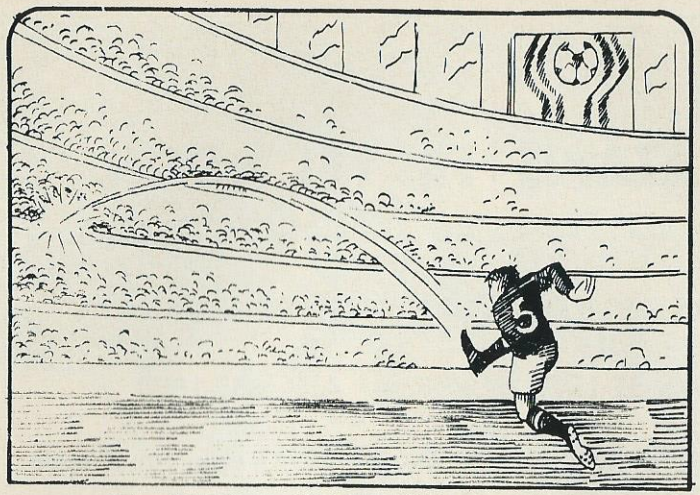
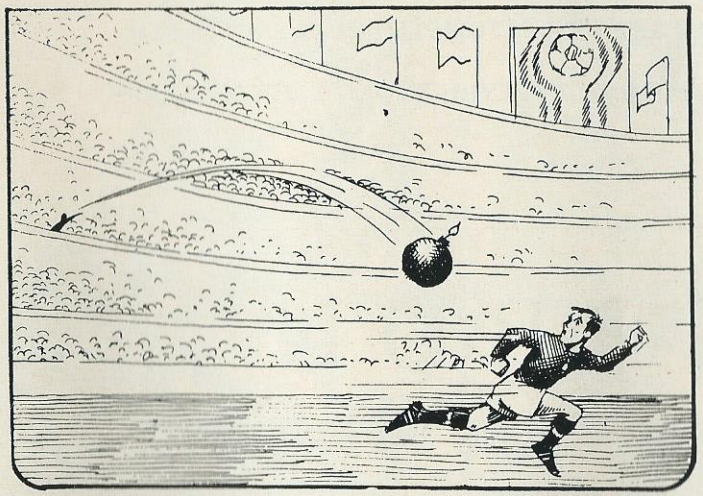
All Sydney Olympic players and supporters would like to wish Louise Fallon a speedy recovery after her operation last week at the Waverley War Memorial Hospital.

Peter Raskopoulos shows excellent body balance to avoid a tackle. In the background are Ritchie Bell and Ray Richards (Round 1).





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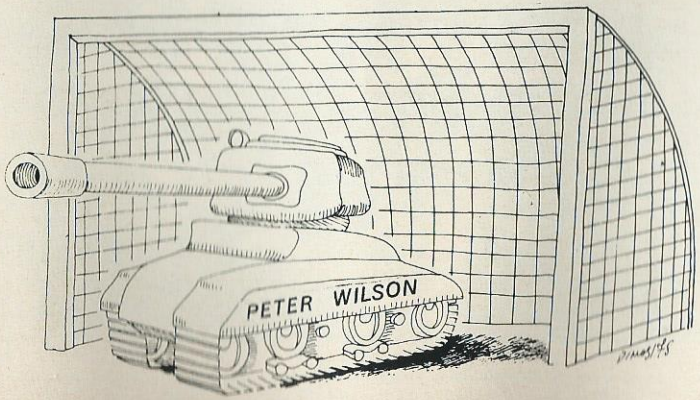

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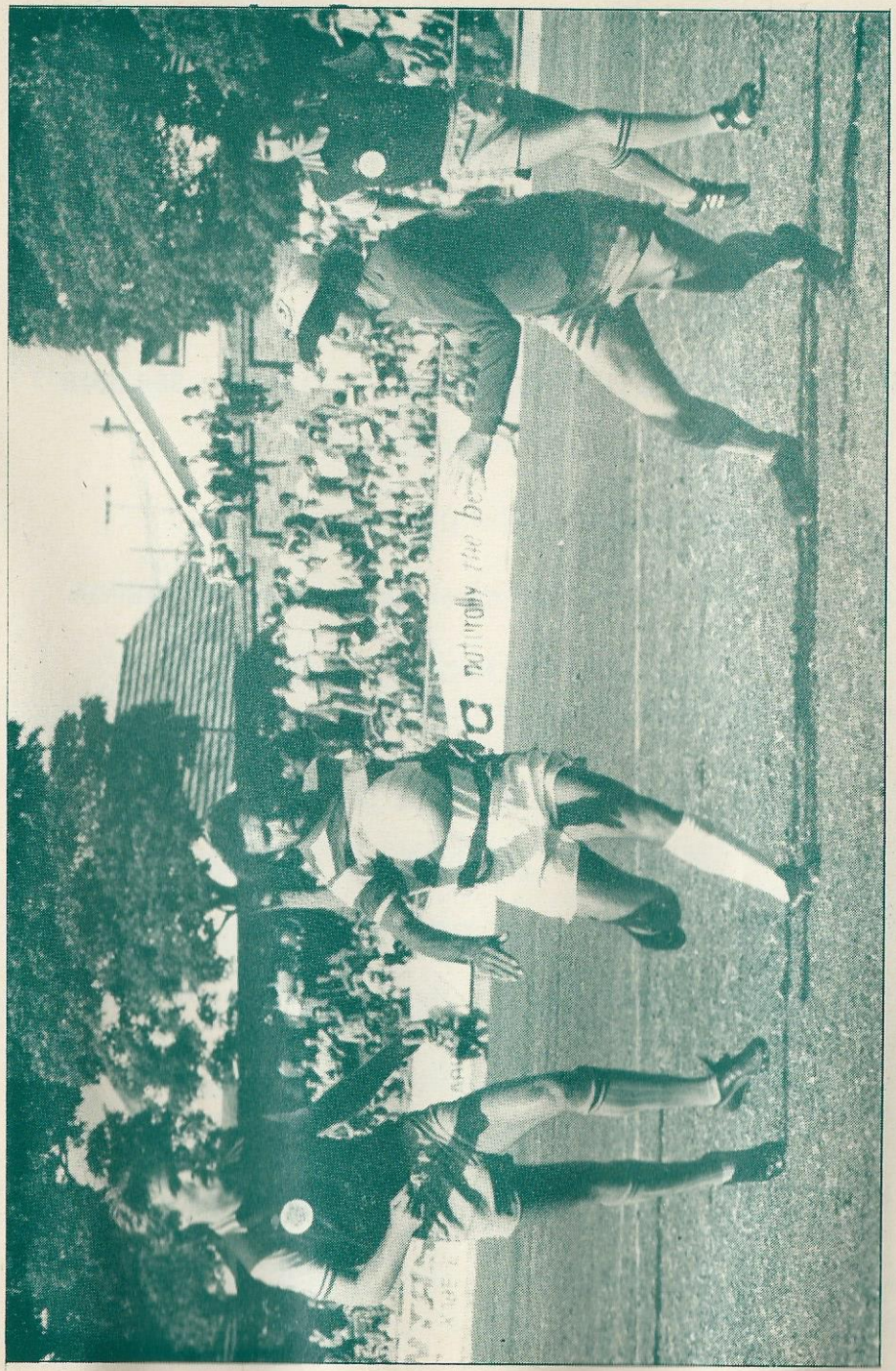

Clive ("Bandit") Eaton lines up to wallop the ball past the advancing 'keeper as Ian ("Tampa") Rowden moves in to cover, at Pratten Park against APIA (0-2)